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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please make the revisions to the following specification paragraphs as noted.

[8] Preferably, the open end of the cup and the generally circular connection portion of the other link are such that the two have a ledge and supporting boss structure which can be closely machined to provide a tight fit. This ~~also along~~ resists relative movement between the two links, such that the connection is less likely to rotate or loosen.

[16] Figure 2 is an exploded view of one pivot connection, and Figure 3 is a cross-sectional view through connections 22 and 28. As shown, the link 24 leads to a cup portion 25 which receives the link 26. The link 26 has a generally hollow cylindrical portion 27 which provides its portion of the pivot joint. The end wall 25 includes a cup portion 32 extending forwardly, and defining the fluid chamber 34 surrounding a threaded central member 36. A threaded central member 36 is formed to be fixed with the end wall 25. Member 36 could be ~~attached, or formed with the wall 25.~~ However, for purposes of this invention, what is most important is that the threaded member 36 remains fixed relative to the ~~end wall cup~~ 25. As shown, a fluid passage 38 leads outwardly through the cup 32 to communicate water through a connection 28 into the showerhead 20. Thus, water from the chamber 34 leads into ~~passage opening~~ 38, and outwardly through the showerhead 20. A passage 40 extends through the link 26, and through a similar passage 41 to supply water to the ~~chamber passage~~ 34.

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[19] The two pivot connections are generally identical, as mentioned above. One distinction is that between the link 24 which is connected directly to the showerhead 20, and the fluid connection 28, there is a sliding connection 60. This connection allows the link 28 to rotate 360° about a central axis X. This allows the showerhead to pivot to a desired angle. The connection between the link 26 and the fixed mount member 62 does not allow similar movement. The fixed mount member 62 is identified as a third link for purposes of this application. As is clear from Figure 3 also, the threaded member 36 does not have a uniform outer diameter. Instead, the threaded member 36 has an enlarged outer diameter portion 63, then a somewhat smaller diameter portion 64, and an even smaller diameter portion 66 adjacent the passage 38. In this way, the flow of water between the passage 41 and the ~~passage connection~~ 38 is not unduly restricted. Since the threaded member 36 is fixed to the ~~end wall cup~~ 25, the desired angular position of the smaller portion 66 relative to the flow passages such as passage 38 can be as desired. If the threaded member 36 could rotate, then of course the smaller portion 66 could become misaligned.

[20] The present invention thus provides benefits in that since the bolt 36 is fixed to one of the links, ~~and the bolt will~~ not rotate relative to the two links to loosen the joint. Further, the boss-support surface which can be closely machined also ensures the joint is less likely to loosen. Instead, the link will be more reliable than the prior art, and the likelihood of the showerhead moving is dramatically reduced. The bolt may be welded or otherwise fixed, or formed integrally with the cup.

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